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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
Jürgen RÖMISCH) Group Art Unit: 1654
Serial No.: 10/033,777) Examiner: Michael V. Meller
Filed: January 3, 2002)
For: STABILIZED LIQUID PREPARATION)
OF THE PROTEASE WHICH)
ACTIVATES BLOOD COAGULATION)
FACTOR VII, OR OF ITS PROENZYME)

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Sir:

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

In reply to the Office Action dated January 14, 2003 (Paper No. 5), Applicants submit the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claim 1 as follows:

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1. (AMENDED) A stabilized liquid preparation comprising: *new issue*
 - a. a protease or its proenzyme, wherein the protease or its proenzyme activates blood coagulation factor VII;
 - b. at least one compound selected from the group consisting of ornithine, diaminopimelic acid, agmatine, creatine, guanidinoacetic acid, acetylornithine, citrulline, argininosuccinic acid, tranexamic acid, and ε-aminocaproic acid or their salts and derivatives; and

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this* *elected* wherein said preparation has a pH from 2.0 to 8.0.